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Conclusion

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters: As per the specification as noted above.

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The prior art fail to teach a jam head rotatable around at least two separate axes comprising a unitary infrared transmitting glass fiber of constant core diameter passing from a laser to and through a first and a second parts for conveying an energetic infrared optical signal and an exit port through which the optical signal passes.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yonel Beaulieu whose telephone number is (703) 305-4072. The examiner can normally be reached on M-R, from 0900-1600.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas BLACK can be reached on (703) 305-8233. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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